

REMARKS

Applicants submit this Supplemental Amendment to supplement the Amendment and Response submitted on 12/27/05 in reply to the Office Action dated 12/15/2005.

I. Examiner Interview

5 Applicants thank the Examiner for the video conference on 12/28/2005.

II. Claims 9-16

Applicants maintain the position that claims 9-16 are valid. However, in the interest of expeditious prosecution, applicants are canceling these claims at this time. Applicants reserve the right to re-enter and re-argue these claims in a future continuation or continuation in part

10 III. Claims 21-27

Applicants have written a new claim set 21-27. These claims are method claims that are parallel to the system claims 1, 3-8. For the reasons given in the Amendment and Response dated 12/27/05, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 21-27 are also in condition of allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that all pending claims, namely claims 1, 3-8 and 21-27 are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections and objections is requested. Allowance is earnestly solicited at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

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